



## ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter

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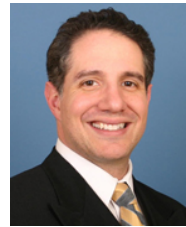
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### President's Message

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Greetings fellow ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter members:

This will be my last President's message - as my term ends this month. Over the last two years, I have seen enormous change happen through the dedicated efforts of our Board, and the feedback and participation of our membership. We have grown to be the largest Chapter in North America - a goal we set for ourselves nearly seven years ago. Along the way, we've won awards for our website, given out more CPE credits than any Chapter in the world, have taught our certification classes on a global level, and have more than doubled our operating income. As gratifying as these accomplishments are, the most memorable, and valuable thing that I'll always treasure was the ability to work with a fine group of people, our chapter's Board of Directors, who were all dedicated to improving our Chapter, pushing the envelope of our accomplishments, and always keeping member value in mind.

And, as much as the changes that occurred with our Chapter, I've also emerged a better person, consultant, and leader from spending my time at ISACA®. No, it wasn't easy being the President, nor should it be. But along the way I can honestly tell you that I enjoyed every minute of it. There's something special about being part of a great organization that strives to help others and promote our

field of practice. I was very fortunate indeed, and I want to sincerely thank you for giving me this opportunity.

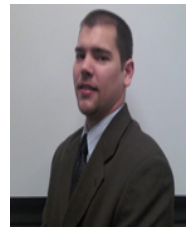
Looking ahead, there are even greater things on the horizon. The Chapter is positioned to achieve new heights, and I'm looking forward to seeing the great plans our new Board will be implementing.

So for now, I will bid you all "farewell" and I'll look forward to seeing you at a future ISACA® event. I wish you all the best of luck in your careers and wherever life takes you. I hope that your membership somehow, some way, leads you to fulfill your own personal and career goals.

Sincerely,  
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ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter President

## Education

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### ***Upcoming Classes***

- **IT Controls and Testing Techniques Across Industries - Presented by Deloitte:** Friday, June 28, 2013 (9:00 AM - 11:30 PM ET). CPE: 2. *Registration Sold Out*

### ***Upcoming Webinars***

- **Information Technology Infrastructure Risk Assessment:** Monday, June 17, 2013 (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET). CPE: 1. [Register Now.](#)

### ***Featured ISACA® Events and Materials***

- [INSIGHTS 2013: ISACA's World Congress](#): Monday, June 10, 2013 - Wednesday, June 12, 2013
- [Governance, Risk and Control Conference](#): Monday, August 19, 2013 - Wednesday, August 21, 2013
- [Cloud Governance: Questions Boards of Directors Need to Ask](#)
- [Big Data: Impacts and Benefits](#)
- [Responding to Targeted Cyberattacks](#)
- [Identity Management Audit/Assurance Program](#)
- [COBIT 5 for Assurance](#)

If you would like to host a class or have a suggestion for training, please email [education@isacany.org](mailto:education@isacany.org).

Volunteers for the Education Committee are always welcome. Email [education@isacany.org](mailto:education@isacany.org) or

[Alexander Josephite](#) (Committee Chair) to learn how to get involved.

## Membership

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### Upcoming Chapter Events

- **Thursday, June 20, 2013 - Annual Gala and Wasserman Award Dinner at the Union League Club.** If you missed open registration, you still have a chance! Registration is extended to Monday, June 10, 2013 at 7:00 PM. [Register Now.](#)
  - Join us in celebrating the past year's achievements.
  - Congratulate Robert Stroud, the 2013 Wasserman Award recipient.
  - Thank the retiring Board of Directors for their past service.
  - Welcome the incoming Chapter Officers and Board of Directors.

### Other Events of Interest

- **Wednesday, August 7, 2013 - 3rd Annual Enterprise Risk Management for Banks and Financial Institutions Conference.** This is a 2-day conference on strengthening and refining the ERM practice under tightening regulatory guidance. For an exclusive discount for Chapter members and more information on registering, please contact [Robin Yegelwel](#) (312-540-3000 ext. 6483).
- **Wednesday, August 14, 2013 - Cyber Resilience for Banking and Financial Services Conference.** This is a 2-day conference on managing technology security challenges across the enterprise to meet fraud and risk concerns. For an exclusive discount for Chapter members and more information on registering, please contact [Robin Yegelwel](#) (312-540-3000 ext. 6483).

**Members @ A Glance:** Visit our [Members @ A Glance](#) webpage for a quick reference guide to "Who we are" and the benefits the New York Metropolitan Chapter offers.

**Recommendations and suggestions** are welcome for speakers, sponsors, venues, and topics for future membership meetings and conferences. Email your recommendations and suggestions to [membership@isacany.org](mailto:membership@isacany.org).

**Volunteers** are always needed for membership events and to assist in Chapter activities and projects. [Learn more...](#)

## Certification

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### Spring 2013

The Certification committee is proud to have delivered four (4) certification exam review classes this Spring. The CRISC™ class was hosted by E&Y and had a record number of attendees, even more than the CISA® course. The CISA® class was hosted by CohnReznik in their mid-town location. The CGEIT® and CISM® courses were global webinars with attendees from countries including the USA, Canada, Portugal, Germany, Switzerland, Korea, and Lithuania.

### **Summer 2013**

For the first time, ISACA® will be administering CISA® and CISM® exams on Saturday, September 7, 2013. The Chapter will be conducting certification exam review classes which will be broadcast globally. Classes are conveniently scheduled during the last two weeks of August. Remember, if you have access to internet, you can participate in the classes over VoIP. "Early bird" registration has already started. Don't miss out!

- **Global Webinar for 07 Sept Exam - NY Metro Chapter Summer 2013 - CISA® Exam Preparation Review Classes** - [Register Now](#).
- **Global Webinar Package for 07 Sept Exam - NY Metro Chapter Summer 2013 - CISA® Exam Review Classes and IT Boot Camp (2 courses for a Special price)** - [Register Now](#).
- **Global Webinar for 07 Sept Exam - NY Metro Chapter Summer 2013 - One Day IT Boot Camp for CISA® & CISM®** - [Register Now](#).
- **Global Webinar for 07 Sept Exam - NY Metro Chapter Summer 2013 - CISM® Exam Review (Live only)** - [Register Now](#).

### **Fall 2013 Preview**

Fall will be here before we know it and certification exam review classes have already been scheduled! For the first time, some of our classes will be hybrid, meaning that they will be conducted live and also simulcast as a global webinar. Please go to the Chapter's website [Certification page](#) to view all upcoming classes.

### **Certification Order**

Here's some advice from instructor Jay Ranade regarding the best order for achieving certifications depending on your area of focus.

- IT Auditor or Control Professional: CISA®, CRISC™, CISM®, and CGEIT®
- IT Security Manager: CISM®, CRISC™, CISA®, and CGEIT®
- IT Risk Management Professional: CRISC™, CISA®, CISM®, and CGEIT®
- Chief Information Officer or Management Consultant: CGEIT®, CRISC™, CISA®, and CISM®
- Chief Audit Executive: CGEIT® and CRISC™

Note that ISACA® exam review manuals will be available during the June Gala on Thursday, June 20, 2013 so you can start studying while you socialize!

If you are interested in pursuing a certification or sponsoring a certification class facility, please contact [certification@isacsany.org](mailto:certification@isacsany.org) or [Kwongmei To](#) (Committee Chair).

## Hot Topics

### ***ISACA® NEW YORK METROPOLITAN CHAPTER STORE***

The ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter has officially launched its very own merchandise store. Click [here](#) to browse through embroidered and name brand apparel, all with our very own ISACA® New York logo! Choose from towels, T-shirts, blankets, bags, hats, gift items and much more.

Visit the ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter [store](#) today!

### ***ISACA® NEW YORK METROPOLITAN CHAPTER ELECTION***

Chapter members are once again invited to vote in the ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter 2013-2014 Election. Active members recently received an email containing the link to the voting system and login credentials. Note that voting is open until Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at 11:59 PM.

Email [James Powers](#) if you have any questions regarding the voting process or need your ISACA® member number.

### ***HOLD THE DATE: SEPTEMBER 19, 2013***

Right now you need to go to your calendar/appointment book and block out Thursday afternoon, September 19, 2013! Why? Because it's the ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter's annual **Golf Outing**.

Take a half-day out of the office and co-mingle business and golf with your peers and counterparts at the beautiful Towers G.C. located right on the Queens/Nassau line. No trekking off to New Jersey or upstate or out to the end of Long Island.

It's a shot-gun start at 1:00 PM and the format is best ball which is a great stress reducer for us hackers (myself included) and also keeps the pace faster. FYI, "best-ball" is when 4 players hit and the team selects who had the best shot and the other three take their next shot from that point. BTW, if you are a foursome that can give Tiger Woods a run for his money and want to play your own ball every shot nobody's gonna' tell. Afterwards, join us for a wonderful dinner and great raffle prizes. You don't have to be a par golfer to snag the big prize - just hold the lucky ticket!

Everyone is welcome. Network with your peers. reward your management team, or extend the opportunity for both your Financial Audit and/or Information Service co-workers to meet in a more causal setting. Perhaps you can invite one of your major vendors and review your strategies (or better yet, see if they want to bring you)!

It's a great day and we hope to see you there. More details can be found on the Chapter's [website](#).

## Our Leadership

### ***Board of Directors***

The ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter Board of Directors consists of 20 Board Members plus the last 3 past Presidents. Like our membership, the Board represents a wide array of backgrounds and come from many industries including Financial Services, Consulting, Education, Entertainment, and Retail. The Board meets monthly to discuss the Chapter's new and old business and the status of projects being performed by Board Committees.

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